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Davenport Estate Given to College; Fraternity Housing Situation Shifts

A major development in Hamilton fraternity housing occurred this week when President Robert W. McEwen announced to the presidents of Delta Phi, TKE, and Lambda Chi that three houses would be offered for sale in the near future, probably in May. These houses are the Brandt house, the President's house and the TKE house. The house should be ready for occupancy by fall 1956.

Two Acres

This change in the fraternity housing situation was accompanied by two other announcements. The first was the announcement that the College had been given the estate of former Professor Davenport. This gift includes two acres of land at the foot of College Hill; a large house, which will become the Presidents home, and a smaller caretaker's home. The legal documents for the transfer of this property will be completed in the early summer.

The second announcement was that the leases which Delta Phi, Lambda Chi, and TKE hold for their present houses will not be renewed upon their expiration on June 30, 1957. These houses were not designed for fraternity living, and were meant for only temporary housing. Upon the loss of faculty homes with the tearing down of North Village, the Lambda Chi and Delta Phi houses will be needed for faculty housing.

Sale Price Unknown

As yet the exact sale prices of the three houses soon to be sold are not known. However, the total sale price of the three, according to McEwen, will not be over $50,000. The criteria for determining which fraternity will get which house have not yet been outlined.

The largest of the three houses, the President's house, can house approximately 20 men. This was built in 1867; however, the back of the house was built in 1840. This section now houses the kitchen and woodshed.

The Brandt house is located one house below the TKE house on College Hill Road. Former Professor of German Herman Brandt built this house in 1886. It is now unoccupied although it had been the family home of the Brandt's except for a short period when it contained faculty apartments.

The TKE house is the former home of Professor Shute. Shute lived in the house from 1937 to 1950. Since then, TKE has leased and occupied the house.

Day-light Saving Time will go into effect at 2:00 A. M. Sunday morning. All clocks should be turned ahead one hour.

Marsh to Speak On Stryker Era During Class Day

Student Awards To Be Announced

Willard B. Marsh, Upson Professor of Rhetoric and Oratory, will be the principal speaker at the all-college assembly on Class and Charter Day, Wednesday, May 18. His speech, entitled *The Stryker Era at Hamilton College,* will concern the College during the years 1892 through 1917, when Melancthion Stryker was President of Hamilton.

Although Hamilton received its charter on May 23, 1812, Class and Charter Day is held in the previous week to avoid conflict with the examination period. Many undergraduate awards will be announced at the assembly, held at 10 a.m. in the Chapel, which the faculty, dressed in academic gowns, will attend.

The speaker, Professor Marsh, was born in nearby Bridgewater, located about 20 miles south of Hamilton. He graduated from Hamilton in 1912, a member of Phi Beta Kappa and Chi Psi. As a student, he won the McKinney Speaking Prize and the Kirkland Prize Oration Award. After attending Harvard for a year, he became an assistant professor of public speaking at Hamilton from 1913 to 1916, receiving an honorary A.M. from Hamilton in 1915. He studied at Princeton in 1917, earning his A.M. and served in the U. S. Army for a year. He then taught English at Carroll College, Waukesha, Wisconsin, in 1919 and 1920.

In 1920 Marsh returned to Hamilton as an associate professor of public speaking, a post which he held until 1927, when he was granted a full professorship. In 1935, he became head of the public speaking department. For some years, he has been a member of the Board of Editors of the *Hamilton Alumni Review.* He wrote an article, *A Century and a Third of Speech Training at Hamilton College,* which was later published in the *Quarterly Journal of Speech,* for the *Alumni Review* in March, 1946.

Hamilton Quizbowl team shown pondering a question in last week's nationally broadcast match against Mt. Holyoke College. Hamilton lost in a closely-contested match, 185-160. From left to right, Mark Heller, Mike Sundell, Cal Torrance, Robin Holloway, and Bob Whitney, Syracuse radio announcer who managed the Hamilton team during the broadcast.

Trustees Approve Promotion Of Three Hamilton Professors

The Hamilton Board of Trustees approved the promotion of Professors Rockwell, Moraud, and Browning in their meeting on Saturday, April 16.

Dr. Landon G. Rockwell the chairman of the political science department, has been named the James S. Sherman Professor of Political Science. Dr. Rockwell received his A.B. from Dartmouth and his M.A. and Ph.D. from Princeton. Having taught at Princeton, Cincinnati, and Williams, he came to Hamilton in 1950. He has written numerous magazine articles and reviews and was co-author of a political science text which was published in 1950. In May, 1954, Rockwell was elected president of the New York State Political Science Association. His particular interests are Constitutional Law and Civil Liberties.

The present chairman of the romance language department, Dr. Marcel I. Moraud, has been named the Burgess Professor of Romance Languages. Dr. Moraud had the unique distinction of serving in both the French and American armies during World War II. He has received degrees from the University of Texas and the University of Paris and had taught at Brown, Yale, and the American University of Biarritz, France, before coming to Hamilton in 1950. Moraud was recently elected Assistant Editor of the *Bulletin* of the New York State Federation of Foreign Language Teachers. In June, 1954, he was appointed to serve as consultant in the preparation of the second edition of the Britannica World Language Dictionary. His main interest is in 19th Century comparative literature. His doctoral dissertation, *Lady Morgan: An Irish Woman Liberal in France Under the Restoration,* was recently published in Paris as one of a series of books in comparative French and foreign literature.

The newly named Associate Professor of German, Dr. Robert M. Browning, received his A.B. from William Jewell College and his A.M. and Ph.D. from Princeton. Before coming to Hamilton in 1949, Browning taught at Wake Forest University and at Princeton. Browning has done much work on problems of form in the German language and several of his articles on various German authors have been published. He has been especially interested in Goethe and 18th Century German lierature.

College Audience Hears Mrs. Dean On Russian Policy

"Social sciences never have solutions," said Vera Micheles Dean, noted teacher and lecturer, in the Chapel Wednesday evening.

"This is what makes the study of social science both frustrating and fascinating," continued Mrs. Dean. The fascination was apparent on the part of her audience of approximately 175 faculty members and students.

Speaking on *"Why Do the Russians Behave Like Russians,"* she first stated three generalities which must be accepted to view the Russians in their proper perspective. The United States must see Russia as a non-western country.Mrs. Dean criticized Harry Schwartz of the *New York Times* who, she said, writes that the "Russians do not have enough television sets." This is the wrong attitude for we must think of Russia as we do of China or India. "The very fact that they have television sets is a miracle," said Mrs. Dean.

She felt also that we must recognize that Russia is a landlocked continent whose whole development has been a struggle to reach the sea. Finally she stated that Russia is a mother country living side by side with her colonies. "The situation is very much as if the English people lived side by side with their African dependencies," she said.

Mrs. Dean pictured nations as being in varying stages of political and economic development. Russia is in the late 19th century economically while being in the time of Henry VIII politically. This lag in political development is the reason that Russia was incapable of supporting a democratic government in 1917. There is now, however, a real change in Russia. A new generation is coming into power. They differ from the old Bolsheviks in being, "free from fanatacism and eager for the better things of life."

One development indicates this change. No man has succeeded to Stalin's leadership. There is a "collective leadership" growing in the Soviet Union. The removal of Malenkov was not a typical purge where the victim is shot. Malenkov was made Minister of Electricity and since this is a vital necessity for atomic power, Mrs. Dean did not think that the Soviet leaders would have let a man they considered a traitor remain in such an office.

Political Science Professor, D. Riddle, To Receive Ford Fellowship Grant

Donald H. Riddle, Assistant Professor of Political Science, has recently been awarded a fellowship by the Fund for the Advancement of Education of the Ford Foundation. He will receive a year's leave of absence from the College to study government and politics first hand.

Riddle said that while his plans are not yet definite, he wants to divide his time between studying the operation of political parties in New York State, and gathering material in Washington D.C. for case studies on natural resources policy, which will be used in political science courses. Believing that experience is the best teacher, he hopes to work on the staff of a senator in the nation's capital.

Donald H. Riddle

Riddle was one of 138 college and university faculty members throughout the country to receive the one-year fellowships. The awards were made upon the recommendation of the National Committee on Faculty Fellowships which reviewed more than 700 applications. The grants total $800,000 and are intended to "enable the recipients to become better teachers in their particular fields."

There will be no change in the courses offered by the Political Science Department next year, Professor Rockwell, head of the department, announced. However someone will be hired to replace Riddle for next year and will teach the courses which he now is teaching.

Magee - Heller Win McKinney Debate

"With this kind of analysis the student body can take steps toward making the problem a little less acute." This was the comment of President McEwen on the McKinney Prize Debate held Thursday night and won by the affirmative team of Mark Heller and James Magee.

The subject of the debate was, "Resolved: That membership in a social fraternity should be offered to every Hamilton student."

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400 Parents Visit Hamilton For Third Annual Weekend

By Don Spector

Over 400 parents are expected to visit the Hill Saturday and Sunday during Hamilton's third annual Parents' Weekend. Under the direction of Wallace B. Johnson, Secretary of the College, Paul Carter, '56, and Comer Coppie, '55, a wide range of activities has been planned to acquaint the parents with Hamilton.

McEwen To Speak

At 12:45, a special luncheon for the parents will be held at the gym. President McEwen will speak. Immediately following until 4 p.m. all faculty members will be available in their offices for consultations. Meanwhile, at 2 p.m. in the Chapel, Dean Winton Tolles will discuss the problem of selective service and its effects on students.

Almost all varsity teams will be in action Saturday afternoon starting at 2 p.m. when the Hamilton tennis team meets the netmen from Hartwick. At 2:30, the Hamilton baseball nine will encounter Utica College while at the same time Hamilton's lacrosse team will play Hobart on the soccer field. In case of rain Assistant Professor John Baldwin will present an organ recital in the Chapel.

Reception, Choir Concert

At 4 p.m. all parents, faculty members and students are invited to the President's reception on the lawn in front of the library. If it rains, the reception will be held inside the library.

Saturday evening John Baldwin will direct the Choir in its annual Spring concert in the Chapel. The program ranges from serious religious motets to barbershop numbers by the Buffers. Included are pieces by Tschiakowsky and Palestrina as well as numbers based on the writings of Robert Burns, Lewis Carroll and Stephen Vincent Benét.

Profesor Berrian R. Shute of the music department will conduct his own composition *Blow Out You Bugles,* written in memory of the Hamilton men killed in World War II. Alfred Prettyman, '56, will also sing a series of three songs.

Sunday at 11 a.m., the final event of the weekend, a non-denominational Chapel service, will be conducted by Robert Wicks, past Dean of the Chapel.

Comer Coppie stated that, "From the great response we've had from the parents (over 420 have reservations for the Saturday luncheon) this weekend should prove the most succesful in the three year history of the event."

Nineteen Students Elected to Chapel Board at Dinner

Faculty Advisors Also Selected

The annual Chapel Congregation dinner last Monday night was highlighted by elections and a report on the Chapel Board's activities. The 85 students and members of the faculty present also heard Rev. Colin Miller speak on *"Democracy Is Not Enough."*

A slate of 19 students presented by the nominating committee of the Chapel Board was elected for the coming year. The newly elected members are: Richard Baker, Richard Corradi, Pres Dawes, Dave Moffet and James Schade of the class of '56; Allen Bissell, Peter Browne, James Butterfield, Richard Hall, Richard Horning, Paul McGiffin, Clifford Meaker, Ridgely Pierson, Charles Rammelt, James White and Shedd Williams of the class of '57; and Craig Henzel, Arthur Melius and William Murray of the class of '58.

Faculty nominees elected to advise the Board are: Herbert Long, Lawrence Yourtee, David Hawley, John Baldwin and Cleveland Jauch. The new officers of the organization, elected prior to the dinner are: Paul Carter, '56, president; Fletcher Waller, '56, secretary; and Robert Connor, '56, treasurer.

Retiring president Tom Fisher '55, opened the business meeting by reviewing the Chapel Board's activities during the year. He stressed the succesful membership campaign, the campus fund which netted $3,700, and the work with Utica churches and teen-age groups. He announced a forth coming canvas, run in cooperation with local churches, to determine the number of church goers in Clinton.

Speakers to Vie April 28 in Prize-Speaking Contest

Twelve Hamilton speakers will compete in the McKinney Prize Speaking Contest April 28 in the Alpha Delta Phi Lounge. The contest will begin at 8 p.m.

The public speaking department has selected four contestants from each of the three lower classes for their excellence in public speaking and general scholarship. Professor Robert Carson will act as chairman for the contest.

The sophomores will give eight to ten minute persuasive speeches on subjects which interest them, Robert Kraunz will speak on *Is Our Medical Reseach Program Adequate? Should We Defend Quemoy and Matsu?* will be Earl Schemerhorn's topic. Richard Hall will discuss a question of state-wide significance, *Should Bingo Be Legalized?* Michael Nadel will consider a time-honored problem, *Why Women?*

The freshmen will deliver five minute memorized poetry selections. Robert Miller will deliver *Ulysees* by Tennyson while James Citranglo will give excerpts from *The Prisoner of Chillon* by Lord Byron. Richard Purple has chosen *Ceremony After A Fire Raid* by Dylan Thomas. Britt Harwood will speak from Walt Whitman's anthology, *Leaves of Grass.*

The four juniors, Jon Kelton, Alfred Prettyman, James Schade and Daniel Teitelbaum, will give impromptu speeches on one of four previously selected topics.

Hamilton College Radio Station Now Being Organized

Student Support Revealed by Poll

A group of Hill students, headed by Landy Horning, '57, and Stu Baker, '57, with the assistance of Professor Frank Piano, are now in the process of organizing a Hamilton College radio station. A skeleton organizational staff has already been formed, and yesterday, a mimeographed questionaire was sent out to determine student interest in such a project.

Horning reported that the results of this poll were extremely gratifying and showed tremendous student enthusiasm for a campus radio station. For example, some of the questions asked and replies given were:

Q. Do you own a radio?
A. No-90; Yes-283.

Q. Do you have access to a radio?
A. No-18; Yes-156.

Q. If the campus radio offered better programming, would you listen to the radio more?
A. No-18; Yes-303.

Q. Would you listen to a student dramatic production on a weekly or bi-weekly basis?
A. No-122; Yes-244.

Q. Would you be interested in working with the station itself?
A. No-141; Yes-171.

A Hamilton radio station, if organized, would be operated exclusively for the College Community.

The College once operated a station which folded in 1948. According to Horning, it was unsuccessful because of poor management, faulty equipment, and general lack of interest.

Admissions Applications on Increase College to Take 175 Men in Fall

Sidney B. Bennett, Director of Admissions, has reported a 20 percent rise in the number of applicants for admission to Hamilton. However, many colleges are experiencing similar rises and this is due, said Bennett, not so much to an increase in the number of students as to multiple applications. In short, the same number of students are applying to more colleges than is usual.

Although Bennett declined to release the number of applications he has so far received, unofficial sources estimate that from 800 to 900 students apply annually for admission. Next year's freshman class will consist of 175 men.

All applications are submitted to the Faculty Committee on Admissions and those students which the Committee believes cannot meet Hamilton's academic requirements are rejected outright. The best students are then selected from the remaining applicants until the class is filled.

It is the usual policy of the Admissions Committee to admit applicants regardless of scholarship requests. However, this may vary from case to case. About 25 percent of each freshman class receives some form of financial aid from the College. Hamilton naturally operates at a handicap in competing with schools with much larger endowments, such as Amherst and Wesleyan, which can afford more scholarship money.

About 35 percent of next year's freshman class of 175 students will come from the private or prep schools. Denying rumors of an increase in prep school students, Bennett said that the 35 percent ratio "is the ideal distribution for us and we hope to hold it as it is." Also, if next year's freshman class follows past custom, more than half of the students will be from New York State, mainly the upper part. In accounting for the preponderance of students from Upper New York State, Bennett said that he thought New York City boys have far stronger preferences for the Ivy League schools such as Harvard, Princeton, and Yale. Also, Hamilton is better known upstate than in the City.

In reply to questions about the expansion program, Bennett asserted that the College will make no attempt to increase its size until qualified students are available. He also felt that when the College does decide to expand, more scholarship aid will be needed.

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On Expansion . . .

Last weekend the Committee on Instruction of the Board of Trustees submitted an oral report to the Board concerning the social framework of Hamilton after the College expands to 750. This report is now being put into written form for approval at the June 3 meeting of the Trustees. We do not, of course, know the substance of that plan, but we do feel that the best plan would be one which would sacrifice least the following two principles: 1) the fraternities should have the right to choose their own members and 2) any Hamilton man is worthy of the privileges and responsibilities of fraternity or small social unit living. These two principles are necessarily in conflict, but we feel a system which would carry out most effectively both these principles would be the ideal system for Hamilton after expansion.

The basic reason for these considerations is to make the Hamilton social set-up after expansion more equitable than it is at the present time. For example, now we have approximately 100 Hamilton students not in fraternities. Many of these men should have been given the opportunity as freshmen to join in a fraternity. However, under the existing system, they were not. Consequently, we now have a discontented minority which does not enjoy social facilities equal to those of the fraternities.

Hamilton is a College which has found strength in the tradition of small, group living. This tradition must be maintained, and can be maintained to the maximum satisfaction of everyone if a social system be implemented which sacrifies the above two principles least.

One might ask how such a program could be instituted under expansion considering that Hamilton now has only 11 fraternities. The answer to this question might me supplied by having incoming freshmen eat at Commons or in a new dormitory their first year. This would create a slight stress in fraternity finances the first year of operation since the dining places of the seniors who were graduated the previous June would be left vacant for the next year. Then again, this might also bring pressure on the fraternities to pledge upperclassmen whom they did not have room for the previous year. Once the system was in full operation, the three upperclasses would have 485 men eating in fraternities. This would be the same number that is eating in fraternities at the present time. Since the freshmen class (approximately 225 men) would be eating together their first year, this would leave only 40 or 50 upperclassmen not in fraternities in a college of 750 men. Some of these men can be absorbed by the existing fraternities. In the first place, TKE, Lambda Chi, and Delta Phi will enlarge their membership somewhat since they will be moving into larger housing units. In addition some of the other existing fraternities could conceivably expand their present dining facilities to accommodate more men.

Under this system, we could maintain the first principle—that fraternities should have the right to choose their own members. However, it denies the second principle of 100 percent opportunity to all students since it must be admitted that the fratenities will not be willing to take every man in the freshman class into their groups. On the other hand, if Hamilton were to adopt preferential bidding, (both the freshmen and the houses make out a list which is divided into first, second and third choices) we would be abrogating the principle of the right of the fraternity to choose its own members. Also, once some of the marginal men were pledged to the fraternities under this system, they might even find their plight worse than as an independent because of a "not wanted" feeling.

There is a way that the problems of discrimination, social stigmas, and fraternity rights can be alleviated, however. If the fraternities were willing to try to take in between 90 and 95 percent of the freshmen (and this is quite possible since only upperclassmen would be eating at the fraternities) could we not hope that with the remaining group of between 40 and 50 men some adequate social arrangement could be made in the form of an independents club? Couldn't this club play a real and healthy role in College life? Coudn't this club provide real friendship among Hamilton men, all of whom are supposed to be worthy of our friendship? Finally, couldn't this club come as near to realizing the College's obligation to the members of the freshman class as any method we could institute? The College does ,it seems, assume more than merely an educational relation to its students. It does clearly have a social obligation to all its students regardless of "wealth, rank, or honor." We assume that all Hamilton men are worthy of fraternity membership, may we not also assume then that they are capable of living together, working together, and developing a worthy social organization?

Certainly the College would have to help. It would probably have to provide them with a stone house. It would also have to be careful on its admission policies. It would have to encourage the elimination of discrimination in all forms among existing fraternities. If need be, eventually this independents' society might become a local or national fraternity if the members so desired. In other words, this could be a first step toward the possible eventual admittance of all Hamilton men into fraternities.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

April 7, 1955

Editor of the Spectator
Hamilton College
Clinton, New York

Dear Sir:

May we take a few lines to pose the problem of whether or not there is something rotten in the state of the PX?

It has been closed so much of late. And even when open its fare is rather dismal and limited. The prices are insulting — we refer to 15 cent cups of hot chocolate (made with water) and 20 cent hamburgers, hamburgers so thin as to be almost transparent.

As to the PX being closed — might it not be possible that the turnover in personnel is due to ridiculously low wages? Is it true that so liberal and forward-looking an institution as Hamilton College pay peon wages to its employees? Or is it merely that the administration is unwilling to keep a tab on the devious entreprenteurship of Mr. Morris?

Sincerely yours,
Francis J. Seidner
James S. Magee

College Purchases 'New' Fire Engine; Sells Old Truck

Hamilton College, which has always valued fire protection has recently doubled the number of fire engines on campus. Paradoxically, this is not because the College believes that two fire engines are better than one, but rather because the old engine has been sold to a student and a replacement purchased. Actually the 'new' truck, of 1930 vintage, was old enough to be discarded by the Clinton Fire Department, and hence, acquired by the College.

The proud buyer of the old fire engine, is a D.U. sophomore, Landy Horning, who paid $120 for it. Horning reports that the engine, a 1919 Brockway, is in good running order, except for the pump which works poorly. When asked why he bought the fire truck, Horning replied: "It's not every college boy who owns a fire engine." Unless he gets time to drive down to Pennsylvania before the end of the semester Horning plans to keep the truck on campus until June and then drive it 500 miles to a farm outside of Pittsburgh where it will be restored and used for fire protection. But in the meantime, unless a roaring blaze breaks out, he will not get much use out of the thing. Realizing the traffic problems that might occur if Horning decided to drive to classes, the Administration has asked him not to use the fire engine around campus. And so, unless disaster occurs on the Hill, the fire truck will remain parked at the D.U House until June.

Princeton Dean Chapel Speaker

Reverend Robert Russell Wicks will speak in Chapel this Sunday. The Chapel service will be held at 11 a.m. as part of the Parents Weekend program.

Born in Utica, Rev. Wicks attended Hamilton College and was graduated in 1899. He then attended Union Theological Seminary where he received his Doctor of Divinity degree in 1908. He served on the Hamilton faculty in 1919, and he returned here to be Dean of the Chapel from 1948-50. He has been a member of the faculties of Williams College (1925), Yale University (1926), and Rutgers University (1937).

He was Chaplain at Mount Holyoke College and Dean of the Chapel at Princeton University from 1928 to 1947. Rev. Wicks is an ordained Congregational minister and has served as pastor of several churches.

Since his official retirement in 1947, Rev. Wicks has worked with the Young Men's Christian Association. He was also elected

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Here And There

By Bob Connor

Two days before last week's College Quiz Bowl we saw one of the better scholars of the senior class reading *Mother Goose Rhymes* with great intensity. We learned this was part of the preparation for radio's "battle of wits."

Norman Vincent Peale (whose "Power of Positive Thinking" is no longer the nation's number one best seller) scatters a few gems on the pages of the current "Reader's Digest". Sample:

"Questioner: What is a good formula for getting along with people?

Peale: Be Yourself . . . don't be sensative."

Another sidelight on the intellectual life of America comes from the Russel Sage *Quill;* it is a little lyric sung at their class day exercises (sic):

"Organize, jist git together and coordinize,
Organize, organize, organize."

Wesleyan University has recently embarked upon what appears to us to be a wonderful way of eliminating unpopular students. The student body has contributed a dollar a head to send an elected representative to Russia this summer. No one has said anything about a return trip.

Harvard succeeded in embarassing Yale rather effectively a few weeks ago. The Yale *Daily News* announced that it would no longer print a Saturday edition. The Harvard *Crimson* (discovering that this made them the only daily undergraduate paper to publish a Saturday edition) published a special "Yale edition" on the first Saturday the *Daily News* failed to appear and sent copies to New Haven. The edition contained campus news of Yale gleaned by a graduate student, a Harvard alumnus; and, of course, a sarcastic editorial.

A history professor at Baylor University has set a new record in American education. On one weekend he succeeded in dating 38 co-eds! Beginning at four o'clock on a Friday afternoon, his social spree included lunches, dinners, breakfasts, one hour coffee and malt dates, several Sunday church services, and 17 trips to local restaurants for meals and refreshments. Unfortunately, the professor failed to date nine other co-eds who were on his waiting list.

Bard College has been having a battle with the Reverend John Quincy Martin, an episcopal clergyman. The Rector Martin charged that the college "had swerved morally from its Christian purpose", and "had failed to live up to the college's original purpose." Among Bard's failings and swervings was producing the "immoral and indecent" play *La Ronde.*

The Williams "Record" included the following item a few weeks ago: "On sale today in the Student Union will be some Mexican 'hex-masks' hand-wrought in pure Mexican tint. These were imported from Vera Cruz and are reputed to have had potent sterility effects on the local Indians. However no claims have been yet made for their efficiency in this climate. If anyone is interested in examining these, they will be on sale after lunch until supper."

The post office has decided to release a copy of Aristophanes' *Lysistrata* which it has been keeping locked in a safe because the book is "lewd, obscene and lascivious." The American Civil Liberties Union threatened a Supreme Court test of the Comstock law under whose provision the book was seized. Then the Post Office backed down and released the confiscated comedy of that 'nasty' Greek comedian.

Sub-Freshmen to Become Acquainted With Hamilton Program April 29, 30

The second sub-freshman weekend of the year will be held next Saturday, April 29 and 30.

On Saturday the high school and prep school seniors will be able to talk with several faculty members, see tennis, track and golf matches, and hear student talks on the extra curricular activities which Hamilton offers.

Saturday's athletic events will consist of a tennis match with Utica College and a track meet and golf match, both with Union at 7:30. Saturday night, in the Baker Memorial Room, the subfreshmen will hear about courses of study and extra-curricular activities including: Honor Court, publications, religious organizations, and the music and dramatic organizations. After the talks, the Block H Club will show movies.

Sunday morning the coaches will be on hand to tell the subfreshmen about the intramural and intercollegiate athletics at Hamilton. Also on Sunday morning, the facilities in the gymna-

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Donor of Davenport Estate Devoted To Long Career of Public Service

Retired professor Frederick M. Davenport and his wife have given their house to the College.

The 14-room Davenport residence, located at the first curve at College Hill Road has been given with the single stipulation that the College retain title to it. The estate includes beside the 50 year-old mansion, a seven-room cottage and the two-and-a-half acre tract on which they are situated. It is the second piece of property the college has received from the retired professor. Hamilton, which awarded Davenport an honorary doctorate in 1933, earlier purchased the Clinton home he used when he taught law and politics on the Hill.

The College's most recent benefactor first achieved prominence as a candidate for the governorship of New York State. During his tenure from 1904 to 1929 as a Hamilton professor of law and politics and a term in the State Senate, he ran on the Progressive ticket in 1912 and as a gubernatorial candidate in 1921. Unsuccessful in both tries, he returned to Albany as legislator.

In 1925 he took a leave of absence from the College and campaigned for Congress. He was elected to the House of Representatives and served until 1933.

By coincidence, Margaret Chase Smith, who will receive a Hamilton degree this June, was on the same platform at Syracuse University in 1952 when Davenport, in receiving the hood of a doctor of laws, heard himself described as a "leader in movements for the improvement of government."

Prompting the Syracuse ac-

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Pre-Registration Dates Announced April 25 - May 12

The pre-registration period for the fall term will begin Monday, April 25 and will end May 12. Students registering late will be fined one dollar for each day.

Hamilton will use a new advising system this year. While freshmen will consult their advisers assigned last September as usual, sophomore and juniors will go to the chairman of the department in which they are concentrating. Anyone concentrating in Biology-Chemistry con consult either Mr. Hess or Mr. McKinney.

Course Elections

Each student should submit a course election card signed by his adviser together with any accompanying petitions. In addition, sophomores must submit a program of concentration approved by their department, and juniors must return the previously approved concentration form.

Students wishing advice on graduate study beyond that available from the adviser may consult the Dean or the following faculty members: Mr. Gambs or Mr. Wertimer, business administration; Mr. Cameron or Mr. Gere, engineering; Mr. Hayner, the ministry; Mr. Graves or Mr. Rockwell, law; and Mr. Hunt, education.

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SPALDING SETS THE PACE IN SPORTS

SPORTS OLIO

By Peter Dayton

The purpose, in essence, of the intramural program here at Hamilton is to give a chance to men not participating in Varsity athletics the chance to play sports on an organized basis. Recently, the Athletic Department announced that starting next year, no athlete participating in a varsity sport can play both in that sport and in intramurals during the same season. Some coaches have already put this ruling into effect on their individual squads.

On campus this has been met by a large howl, especially from Varsity athletes. Their big complaint is that this does not give to some Varsity men the chance to participate in other sports that may interest them. Their complaint is well grounded, but there is another side to the question.

Director of Athletics Mox A. Weber outlined three reasons for the department's move. First there is the feeling that the Intramural program is being concentrated in the hands of a few athletes, who are also playing varsity sports. This is defeating the whole purpose of the Intramural program, which is to give every person the right to play. The second reason is the possible injury to athletes while they are participating in intramurals. In the past many pulled muscles and injured arms, received in inter-house athletics, have resulted in the loss of athletes to varsity sports. The third reason concerns time. Varsity sports take up to 2½ hours a day, and participation in intramurals subtracts time from either study or rest.

To refute the argument that athletes like to participate in some other sports as well, the department believes that a student who wants to play a varsity sport should put all he can into it. If he isn't willing to do this, he shouldn't be playing the sport.

This is just the first step in a move at Hamilton to bring Intramural athletics down to a more "amateur" level and students should not be surprised to see very radical moves toward this in the future.

In the future this spot will be taken up by the Athlete of the Week Award. But this week it will serve as a reminder to the students on campus that the Spring sports schedule opens this weekend. To inaugurate the season, let's have a big turn out at all the contests.

Sawyer Speaks at Block H Banquet; Outstanding Hill Athletes Recognized

Former major league manager Eddie Sawyer was the featured speaker at the annual Block "H" Club athletic award dinner last night.

Gregory Toastmaster

Pete Eckel began the ceremonies by introducing Tom Gregory, who acted as toastmaster. After several stories concerning his athletic activities while an undergraduate at Hamilton, Gregory praised Gene Long for building the track record plaque in the gym. Then he introduced Bill Tomik, who presented the Shulman Award to outstanding soccer player Jack McMahon.

Next, Greg Batt gave a brief review of the hockey season, and presented the Sellers Award for achievement in hockey to Joe O'Brien. Batt presented John Strickland, '05, who, after commending Hamilton's athletic program, announced that the Strickland baseball award had been given to Dinny Calkins, '54.

Other Awards

Ken Patrick presented the Campbell Basketball Award to John Ibach, and Don Jones presented the Fowler Award to Ed Reed for outstanding sportsmanship in football. Sherril Sherman, '04, announced that the Sherman Golf Award had been given to Dave Doty, '54.

Sawyer was introduced by Ben Light, graduate manager of athletics at Ithaca College. Sawyer told baseball anecdotes and answered questions from the audience.

Eckel ended the evening by presenting four year awards to Charles Graaskamp for soccer, John Ibach for track, and Ed Reed for football and lacrosse.

Lacrosse Team Opens Saturday Against Hobart

Veteran Squad Set For Opener

A seasoned Hamilton College lacrosse team will open its season this Saturday afternoon at 2:30 p.m. when the Hobart Statesmen invade College Hill.

The Continentals will start a veteran squad in their Parents' Day opener this year. Bob Behnke, high scorer of the recent Southern trip, Bobby Fellows and Steve Greenhut will start on attack, Co-captains Ed Reed and Wayne Mahoud and Dave Smalley will share the defensive burdens and the first two midfields will be Don Ivers, Bill Penfield, Dick Boyd, Chip Pickering, Al Stripp, and freshman John Driscoll.

Coach Bill Tomik has been working the Buff and Blue stickmen into shape in the last two weeks, and can be assured of a fine performance. He is especially pleased with the recent showing of the first defensive unit and the improved stickhandling ability of freshman-midfielder John Driscoll.

Last year Hobart paced by All-American John Snape swamped Hamilton 15 to 5, and in their first outing this year they beat Cortland State Teachers' College 16 to 8.

Face-off time for the Hobart game this weekend is 2:30 p.m.

Dr. Priestly Will Lecture on Asia

Will Asia Split Britain and the United States? is to be discussed by Dr. S. E. Gerard Priestly Monday evening April 25. The lecture will be held at the Sigma Phi Place.

Dr. Priestly, speaking under the auspices of the Council of International Education and Research, is an author, educator, and lecturer who has traveled widely and been especially interested in the fight against illiteracy, disease, hunger, and poverty in under-developed countries.

Dr. Priestly, born in the Royal Borough of Windsor, England, went to New College, University of London. In 1935, he came to the United States on a scholarship to the Hartford Theological Seminary where he got his B.D. He received his degree of master of sacred theology from the Latin American department of the Kennedy School of Missions in Hartford, Conn. At New York University he received his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in history and international economics from the University's graduate school of Arts and Sciences.

Romains "Knock," the story of a "charlatan in the medical profession," comes to Hamilton College Hall of Commons tonight at 8:00 p.m. The play, entirely in French, will be presented in the round.

Student Seminar Room Completed

Political science students now have their own library room. The newly-opened political science room, located on the third floor, presently has the complete political science book collection and will eventually hold a large file of government pamphlets and documents.

The room, completely renovated, has improved lighting and new paint. Librarian Walter Pilkington hopes to install furniture during the summer vacation.

Seating approximately 15 students, the room will be used for seminars, faculty-student conferences, small club meetings and also for a study room.

Pilkington is especially pleased with the opening of the room because it provides an additional place for study away from the center hall of the library.

Eventually the political science department hopes to use the room as a "political science workshop," providing students with ready access to all forms of political and government literature. The room will also serve as home office for the department.

The rare book collection, which formerly occupied the room, has been moved to a new niche in the basement.

William Barber, '56, was elected President of Sigma Phi at a meeting April 19. Other officers are Thomas Bleezarde, '57, Secretary; Bruce Bartlett, '58, Steward; Joby Burns, '57, Rushing Chairman; Dudley Hawkes, '58, Pledge Master; and Charles Rammelt, '57, Social Chairman.

Baseball to Begin Tomorrow Netmen Down Utica College 9-0

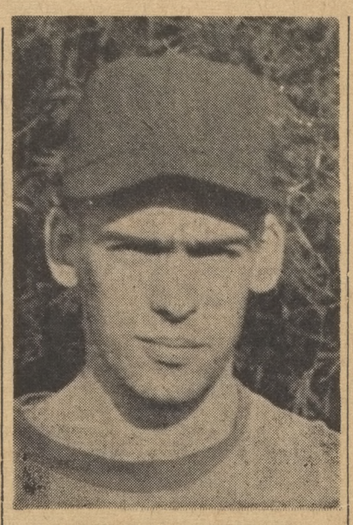
The Hamilton tennis team opened the 1955 season successfully Wednesday as they shut out the Utica College Pioneers, 9-0.

It was an easy opening day victory for the Continentals, as only one singles match was extended to three sets. In the number one match, Harry Presberg defeated Gordon Bashant of Utica, 6-2, 3-6, and 6-0.

Freshman Craig Henzel, playing in the number two slot, completely whitewashed Don Dobrovolc, 6-0, 6-0. In other singles matches, Hillmen Dick Miller, John Roberts, Chris Ravndal, and Tim Smelzer all defeated their opponents by identical 6-1, 6-0 scores.

In the first doubles match, Presberg and Miller won their first set by a 6-1 margin. However, they were extended to a 7-5 victory in the second, as Bashant and Dobrovolc made a strong comeback. Henzel and Smelzer combined to defeat Nozik and Rush, 6-1, 6-0. Hamilton's third doubles team, Pete Cox and Max Gray, won by this same margin over Utica's Hughes and Woods.

Hamilton continues their season's schedule this weekend against Hartwick on home courts. Last year the match between the two was rained out. Wednesday, the Blue travel to Schenectady to meet the Dutchmen of Union. In the past few years, the netmen have found Union easy prey, winning seven of the last seven matches.



Ron Hovey, who will start tomorrow against Utica College in the Hill's first baseball game of the spring.

Coach Greg Batt has nominated junior Ron Hovey to hurl the season's opener against the Utica College Pioneers tomorrow at 2:30 on the Hamilton diamond. Hovey is returning to the Hamilton baseball scene after an absence of one year.

Five Lettermen

The rest of the starting squad is comprised of five lettermen, two men of limited varsity experience, and one freshman. Several of last year's veterans will be appearing in new positions this year, as Batt has shifted men in an attempt to fill two outfield vacancies left by graduation. Another hole was made at third base when Joe Giglio's injured knee failed to respond to treatment.

Veteran Don Pratt will be the starting catcher. He will be backed up by freshman Art Melius and Eaton Gibson, both who have shown up exceptionally well in pre-season practice. The only freshman starter will be at first base, where Dick Dorsino, former Rome Free Academy star, will open. He will be backed up by Eric Hasseltine.

Last year's utility infielder, Bruno Colapietro, will be the starting second baseman. The remainder of the infield will be covered by ex-first basemen. Last year's starter, Dave Moffett will be at third, and substitute Al Olsen will start at shortstop.

Glezen in Left

Captain John Glezen, former shortstop, will cover left field. Last year Glezen led the Continentals in batting with a .445 average. The only outfield returnee, Sophomore "Skip" Schuman, is slated to start in center. Schuman was one of the 1954 squad's RBI leaders. Last year's most effective pitcher, Al McGann, will patrol right field. McGann has been troubled so far this season by a sore arm, and he will probably no mound assignments for at least a week.

Next Tuesday the Continentals will face Union in Clinton. Junior John Penny is the likely starting pitcher for Hamilton. The highlight of last year's season was against Union, when McGann hurled a no-hitter against the Dutchmen.

Golf Team Beats Faculty 5-4; Plays Harpur Saturday

While the rest of the college was listening to jazz last Saturday, the varsity golf team took on the eager Alumni-Faculty team in a match which resulted in a narrow victory for the students. The final score was 5-4.

Led by Captain Dan Koehler, who defeated Don Jones, the number one man on the Alumni-Faculty team, the varsity squad managed to win the match from a team composed of Tom Gregory, Nick Burns, Greg Batt, Dean Tolles, Herb Hansen and Coach Jones. Besides Koehler's triumph, other wins of the day were made by Jim Schade, Dick Plotka, and Jerry Walsh for the varsity and Tom Gregory and Greg Batt for the losing team.

The eliminations tournament for determination of the members of the first team has progressed to the point where four men are now competing for the number two position on the squad. Jack Taylor, Ron Woodward, Dick Plotka and Jerry Walsh are the finalists for the last round of matches to be played before Saturday's opener with Harpur College.

The golf team has been shaping up fast in preparation for the season's opener which will be played at Endicott, N.Y., tomorrow. Harpur boasts of a top-rate number one man, Joe Nestor, one of the best young amateurs in the state. It should prove to be a close match.

Anchors Aweigh! Hamilton Tars Hie To Lake Ontario

After a slow start last weekend at Syracuse, the informal sailing team fell short by two points of qualifying in the Middle Atlantic Sailing Championships for freshmen. Qualifying for the event to be held at Kings Point this weekend were Syracuse with 22 points, and Rochester with 17. Hamilton had a total of 15.

This week at Rochester in a pentagonal meet to start at 10:00, Hamilton will enter crews in both the A and B divisions. In the A division John Gualtieri will skipper and Shedd Williams will crew. In the B division, Tom Benson and Dave Mackey will skipper and crew.

Although Hamilton has no fleet of its own, any student interested in learing about sailing can gain valuable information from the series of lectures that are being held by the sailing club every Wednesday night. C. Stanley Ogilvy, author of a book on sailing, leads the meetings.

Long Announces Starting Men For Union Meet on April 30

Coach Gene Long announced today that Earl Cline tore a hamstring ligament Wednesday and will not run in the intramural meet this Saturday, April 23, Long also said that Cline would definitely not broad jump and may not run in the 100 and 220 against Union on April 30.

Long held time trials yesterday, and on the basis of those time trials, revealed his starting lineup for the Union meet. Steve Harwood and Hal Bruck will run the 100 and 220, the 440 is as yet undecided. Perry Weed and Doug Robinson and possibly Chris Durham will compete on the 880, and Bruce Bartlett and Weed in the mile; Bartlett was timed in under five minutes yesterday in the time trials. Al Shaler and Milt Harkrader will run the two mile race, and in the mile relay, it appears to be Irad Ingraham, Chris Durham, Dick Connors and probably Dick Harnett. Pete Eld, Roy Basler, and John Ibach in the high hurdles, Eld and Basler in the low hurdles.

In the field events, Paul McGiffin is set in the discus and javilin, and Mal McClinchie appears to be the second man in both these events. Bob Braunlich and Odie Sper, will compete in the pole vault, and Jim White, Hal Bruck, and Pete Eld in the broad jump.

Long, when asked if this lineup was final, said, "A lot depends upon whether Cline can return for the Union meet, but I doubt that the intra-squad meet on Saturday will have much effect on the lineup."

The Hispanic Relations Club will present the Spanish film, *Puebierina,* on Wednesday April 27 at 4, and Thursday April 28 at 4 and 8. The picture has English subtitles.

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Chapel . . . Cont'd

to the Board of Directors of Union Theological Seminary. At present, he is teaching part-time at the Lawrenceville School in Princeton, New Jersey.

He is the author of several books including *The Reason For Living* (1934), *One Generation After Another* (1939), and *What Is Man?* (1947).

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Clark Competition Speakers Named

Five seniors who will compete in the 96th annual Clark Prize Orations were announced this week by Prof. Willard B. Marsh, chairman of the contest. The seniors, chosen for their high scholastic standing in seven semesters of public speaking, are Robin Holloway, Ron Krauss, Jim Magee, Sam Rosen and Cal Torrance.

The orations will be given in the Chapel at 2:30, Saturday, June 4. They will be judged by five alumni who have participated in previous contests.

The contestants will speak for ten minutes on a topic of their own choosing. The winner will receive a prize of $50.

The prize is provided by a foundation of $1,000, begun by Aaron Clark, and increased by Henry A. Clark, 1838. The competition was first held in 1855 at the Presbyterian Church in Clinton.

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Davenport . . Cont.

colade and the many other recognitions of his public service, has been a career which included the founding of the National Institute of Public Affairs, which shortly followed his leaving the House of Representatives. He was also instrumental in establishing the Maxwell School of Citizenship at Syracuse.

He has worked for the federal government in the Personnel Administration. In this post he supervised the work of personnel directors of 50 government agencies in determining uniform working conditions for the 2,500,000 federal employees.

A friend of Elihu Root, Theodore Roosevelt, Woodrow Wilson and Franklin D. Roosevelt, Davenport has devoted, according to one newspaper, "half a century of his life to public service."

Sub-Frosh . . . Cont.

sium will be open for swimming, ping-pong, basketball, badminton, tennis, and golf. Equipment will be supplied by the college.

Choir Head Ward Announces Date For College Sing

Bob Ward, manager of the Choir, announced that the Interfraternity Sing will be held on the Sigma Phi lawn on Wednesday, May 11, at 8:00 p.m. This year's Sing will be judged by Professors Long Johnston, and Wertimer. The prize to be awarded is the Berian R. Shute Interfraternity Sing Trophy.

Each fraternity has selected two songs and a leader for the Sing. For its two selections Sigma Phi will sing *Mood Indigo* and *Whirl Wind*, led by Greg Bathon; Alpha Delta Phi, *Ol' Gray Robe*, a spiritual, and *Donkey Serenade* led by Paul Carter; Psi Upsilon, *The Erie*, folk song of old New York, and *Smoking Song*, led by Tom Fisher; Chi Psi, *September Song* and *Ride the Chariot, led by* Murray Hulse; Delta Upsilon, *The D. U. Sweetheart Song* and a number not yet selected, led by Dave Sageman.

Delta Kappa Epsilon, *Steal Away for Jesus* and *What Shall We Do with the Drunken Sailor*, led by John Keeler; Theta Delta Chi, *Serenade* by Schubert, and *March of the Men of Harlech*, led by Bob Hunt. Al Stripp or Al Prettyman will lead the men of ELS in *Madame Jeanette* and *The Orchestra*. Lamba Chi Alpha has elected Dave Quarton to lead them in *Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho* and *Johnny Sands*.

There Is Nothing Like a Dame and *Secrets* are the selections of Tau Kappa Epsilon who will be led by Jim Schade. Delta Phi has elected Pete Browne to lead them in the singing of *Hush to Peace* and *Old Man Noah*. The men at Squires, led by John Greenwald, will sing *Begat*, from *Finian's Rainbow*, and *Kisses Sweeter than Wine*.

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Academic Council Approves Student Council Proposals

The Academic Council has recently approved two proposals of the Student Council, affecting Thursday chapel, and the curriculum.

Beginning next fall, the chapel meetings, now held the third hour on Thursdays, will be held at the same time on Tuesdays. The reason for this change is that most of the important lectures and events take place on Tuesday and Wednesday night, and will receive better publicity if the Chapel meeting is held on Tuesday. The rules concerning Chapel attendance will remain the same.

The idea for the change was originally proposed by Cal Torrance in a letter to the editor of the *Spectator*. The Student Council approved the suggestion, and presented it to the Academic Council.

Beginning next fall, the Student Council will have the power to appoint a student committee on curriculum. This committee will consist of five members, juniors or seniors, who will be a liason committee between the students and faculty on matters of course changes and other curriculum matters.

This committee will be appointed by the Student Council, but will have no vote on matters of curriculum. It will be strictly an advisory committee. The proposal for the committee was originally made by Sam Rosen to the Student Council.

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Debate . . . Cont'd

The first prize of $50 for the best speaker went to Magee and the second prize of $25 was won by Heller.

McEwen felt that the debate centered about two central points. In a short talk after the debate he described these points as being that, first, "Fraternities form the basic social structure of the College. The College is concerned that the system serve each student," and second. "That the fraternities are private social clubs which choose their own members. The President felt that, "these two views cannot be harmonized by Adminstration fiat."

In commenting on the difficulty of the whole subject the President said that Philip Jessup, a member of the Board of Trustees has said that he has never been involved in a discussion of a more involved question. Jessup is the author of numerous books on international law, and has negotiated with Molotov and other prominent diplomats.

J. Franklin Hunt, Professor of Education, served as chairman of the debate held in the Emerson Hall. The new method of debating, each team of debators having the right to interrupt each of its opponents three times during the debate with questions was used. Between the constructive speeches and rebuttals, questions were presented to the debaters by the audience.

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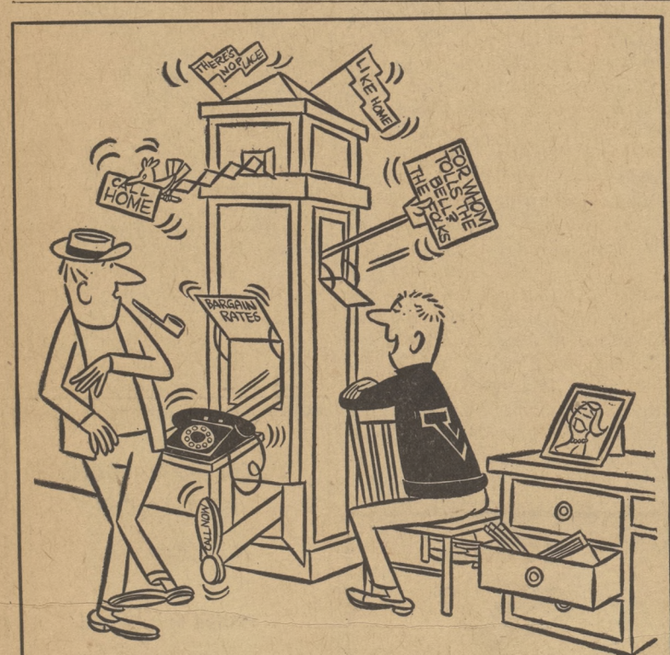

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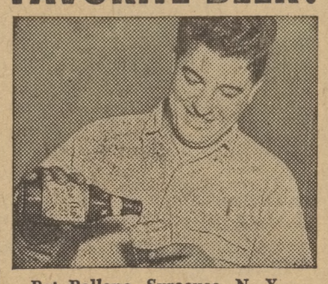

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